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1. This international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) is issued by the International Bureau on behalf of the International Searching Authority under Rule 44 *bis*.1(a).
2. This REPORT consists of a total of 4 sheets, including this cover sheet.

In the attached sheets, any reference to the written opinion of the International Searching Authority should be read as a reference to the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I) instead.

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WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY

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Applicant

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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the opinion
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

2. FURTHER ACTION

If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66.1bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered.

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**WRITTEN OPINION OF THE
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International application No.

PCT/US04/10039

Box No. I Basis of this opinion

1. With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).

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a. type of material

☐ a sequence listing

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43 bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Claims NONE

YES

Claims 1-35

NO

Inventive step (IS)

Claims NONE

YES

Claims 1-35

NO

Industrial applicability (IA)

Claims 1-35

YES

Claims NONE

NO

2. Citations and explanations:

Claims 1-35 lacks novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as anticipated Packard et al in view of "The Lancet" article.

Packard et al disclose a method for assessing a patient's risk of Coronary Vascular Disease (CVD) by measuring levels of Lipoprotein Associated Phospholipase A2 (Lp-PLA2) and C-reactive protein (CRP). See page 3. Packard et al reported that measuring levels of Lp-PLA2 was a strong predictor of the risk of coronary events. Also, Packard et al reported that measuring levels of CRP in association with other CVD predictors was a strong predictor of the risk of coronary events. See pages 1-3. Packard et al further reported results for patients that smoked and had high blood pressure and LDL cholesterol levels and lower HDL cholesterol levels. See pages 4-7. Packard et al reported results from therapeutic, placebo and healthy control patient studies. Thus, the Packard et al disclosure renders obvious the method for treating a patient and providing a kit as claimed. See pages 1-16. Packard et al does not address using ATP III guidelines for determining patient's risk of CVD.

However, "The Lancet" article reports using ATP III guidelines as a method step in a patient study for evaluating development of coronary vascular disease. See pages 1-2 and pages 19-20.

Claims 1-35 an inventive step under PCT Article 33(3) as being obvious over Packard et al in combination with "The Lancet" article.

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Claims 1-35 meet the criteria set out in PCT Article 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability because the subject matter claimed can be made or used in industry.